

Municipal Council, Alleppey.

88 *MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRY (Nominated): Will the Government be pleased:

(a) to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of members of the Municipal Council, Alleppey; and

(b) to state the number of nominated members in the said Council?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: (a) Statement, by caste, of non-official members of the Municipal Council, Alleppey.

S. No.	Caste.	Number.
1.	Hindus	
	(i) Brahmin	2
	(ii) Nair	2
	(iii) Ezhava	4
	(iv) Vellala	1
2.	Christians	
	(i) Catholic	1
	(ii) Syrian	4
	(iii) European	1
3.	Muslims	6

(b) 2.

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI: ഇതിൽ എലക്ടറൽ മെമ്പർസ് എത്ര പേരാണെന്നും പറയാമോ?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: നാമിനേററൾ മെമ്പറന്മാർ രണ്ടുപേരുണ്ട്.

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI: മുസ്ലീം മെമ്പറന്മാർ നൂ പേർ ഉണ്ടെന്നു കാണുന്നു. അവർ എല്ലാം എലക്ടറൽ മെമ്പറന്മാരാണോ?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: എല്ലാം എലക്ടറൽ മെമ്പറന്മാരാണു്.

Literacy in Tamil.

89. *MR. P. S. NATARAJA PILLAI (Chirayinkil cum Nedumangad): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to their notice that literacy in Tamil has decreased in 1930 from that of 1920 and in 1940 from that of 1930; and

(b) if so, whether the Government have enquired into the causes that have led to this result?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPIL (Director of Public Instruction): (a) No. There was no decrease in literacy during 1931-1941.

(b) In view of the answer to part (a) above, this question does not arise.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: May I know what is the basis for that information?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI: It was collected in 1941 in connection with the Census.

Malayalam Middle School, Thrikodithanam.

90. * **MR. K. G. KESAVAN NAIR** (*Changanacherry cum Peermade*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) was there a Malayalam Middle School at Thrikodithanam in Changanacherry taluk;

(b) when was the same started and when was the same stopped;

(c) whether any representation has been received by the Government for re-opening it and the action taken on the representation, if any;

(d) whether the public of Thrikodithanam have surrendered a plot of land to the Government for the construction of a school;

(e) whether the school has been started;

(f) if not, why not;

(g) whether the public of Thrikodithanam have made a representation to the Government to shift the pakuthy cutcherry to the site surrendered by the public to the Government; and

(h) what action has been taken thereon?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI: (a) Yes.

(b) It was started in 1071 and abolished in 1098 due to fall in strength in the Middle School classes.

(c) Yes. No action was taken as there was no necessity for revival.

(d) Yes.

(e) No.

(f) The idea of building a school there was given up by the people themselves as the site was not then accessible to all communities.

(g) No.

(h) This does not arise in view of answer to part (g).

MR. K. G. KESAVAN NAIR (*Changanacherry cum Peermade*): May I know who is in possession of the land?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI: I cannot tell just now. But there is a primary school which is built on the land given by the people.

Gokhale Memorial English Middle School, Venganoor.

91. * **MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRY:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether application has been received from the management of the Gokhale Memorial English Middle School, Venganoor, for permission to raise it to a high school; and

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